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WE APPRECIATE THE INSTRUCTION IN REFTEL AND ARE ATTEMPTING TO REACH AN APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL IN EC COMMISSION VICE PRESIDENT SIMONET'S OFFICE TO BRIEF HIM. WE ASSUME THAT IN ADDITION TO BRIEFINGS BY US GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES, THE OIL COMPANIES CONCERNED THEMSELVES ARE BEING ENCOURAGED TO KEEP EUROPEAN AND JAPANESE GOVERNMENTS INFORMED ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LIBYAN OIL NEGOTIATIONS. WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT NOT ONLY IN TERMS OF THE RELATIONS OF THE OIL COMPANIES WITH THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MAJOR CONSUMERS THAT THEY

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APPEAR TO BE FORTHCOMING IN THIS RESPECT, BUT ALSO BECAUSE

FAILURE OF THE COMPANIES TO DO SO WOULD REINFORCE SUSPICIONS
THAT EXIST ON THE PART OF SOME OFFICIALS IN EUROPEAN
GOVERNMENTS. IF THE ONLY INFORMATION THEY RECEIVE IS FROM A
US GOVERNMENT SOURCE, THIS WILL CONFIRM THEIR FEELING THAT THE
US GOVERNMENT HAS GREATER ACCESS TO INFORMATION CONCERNING
OIL NEGOTIATIONS FROM THE OIL COMPANIES THAN EUROPEAN
GOVERNMENTS DO, EVEN THOUGH THE INFORMATION IN QUESTION IS OF
VITAL INTEREST TO THOSE GOVERNMENTS.HARTMAN

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